

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the paragraphs beginning at page 3, line 30 to page 4, line 14 as follows:

The clamp 18 may take numerous forms. For example, as seen in Figures 1 and 2, the clamp 18 includes opposing ~~figures~~ fingers 28 which are normally biased to a closed position by a spring 29 to hold the medical element 12. The fingers 28 may be moved to an open position simply by a person squeezing the hands 30 of the clamp 18 opposite the fingers 28. A clip or strap may be provided on the bar ~~28~~32 to hold the rod 20 and clamp 18 in a substantially horizontal non-use position, as pivoted from the substantially vertical use position shown in Figure 3.

The device 10 may be mounted to or supported above the bed 14 in numerous manners. In one embodiment, as shown in Figure 3, the base 16 is connected to a bar or frame 32 extending between the opposite ends 34, 36 of the bed 14. The base 16 may be adhered to the bar 32. Alternatively, the base 16 may be slidably mounted to the bar 32 so that the device 10 can be moved along the length of the bed 14. For example, the bar 32 may include a slot 60 in the lower surface, and the base 16 may include a tab 62, hook or other member for slidably receipt in the slot. Alternatively, base 16 may extend around the bar 32 for sliding movement there along. The bar 32 may be extensible or telescoping so as to have an adjustable length to accommodate various length beds 14.